

Message

From: Bruno, Jodi [Bruno.Jodi@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/17/2022 8:19:57 PM
To: Green, Jamie (R7) [Green.Jamie@epa.gov]; Weekley, Erin [weekley.erin@epa.gov]; Bednar, Candace [Bednar.Candace@epa.gov]; Bryan, David [Bryan.David@epa.gov]
CC: Humphrey, Leslie [Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Grist Interview Request - Treated Seeds & AltEn

I agree.

From: Green, Jamie (R7) <Green.Jamie@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 2:19 PM
To: Weekley, Erin <weekley.erin@epa.gov>; Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov>; Bryan, David <Bryan.David@epa.gov>
Cc: Bruno, Jodi <Bruno.Jodi@epa.gov>; Humphrey, Leslie <Humphrey.Leslie@epa.gov>
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Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

From: Weekley, Erin <weekley.erin@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 2:17 PM
To: Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov>; Green, Jamie (R7) <Green.Jamie@epa.gov>; Bryan, David <Bryan.David@epa.gov>
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Thanks,
Erin

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From: Bryan, David <Bryan.David@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 1:45 PM
To: Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov>; Weekley, Erin <weekley.erin@epa.gov>; Green, Jamie (R7)

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Not sure who needs to work to answer questions from Grist reporter.

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Sincerely,

Diana

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From: Washburn, Ben <washburn.ben@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 11:18 AM

To: Bryan, David <Bryan.David@epa.gov>; Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>

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Sharing for awareness.

From: Beisser, Shannan

Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:13 PM

To: Jones, Doug <jones.doug@epa.gov>

Cc: Carey, Curtis <Carey.Curtis@epa.gov>; Washburn, Ben <washburn.ben@epa.gov>

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We'll respond. You can let Diana know that a member of our regional press team will be contacting her.

Thanks, Doug!

Shannan B. Beisser | Lead Press Officer | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency | (913) 551-7423

From: Jones, Doug <jones.doug@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:08 PM

To: Beisser, Shannan <Beisser.Shannan@epa.gov>
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Thanks,

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From: Diana Kruzman <dkruzman@grist.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:01 PM
To: Jones, Doug <jones.doug@epa.gov>
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